

Letter from Alexander Melville Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, October 12, 1876, with transcript

D. C. B's. October 12th, 76. (No envelope) My dear Al.,

I can't at present spare such'an amount as you would require, but your Uncle David and I will each become surety for you to the amount of \$500.00 (or 100 Pounds) if you can borrow that sum to take out fresh patents.

Don't cable your message to Edward. The Post will be in time for anything you can do about vocal telegraphy. I sent you a letter yesterday. All well at home. Love from all here.

Your affectionate father, Alex. Melville Bell. P. S. I hope you have shown your mother's last letter to Mrs. Hubbard, this is only justice. You should also show the present letter. Mrs. H. has heard ex parte misrepresentations and she ought to see what the unnatural parents say for themselves! In regard to the first affair respecting which you have foolishly imposed secrecy on us, my sentiments as your mother has told you, are the same as she has expressed. Until the principals have come, or a definite understudy, I do not see what more can be said. You should not require to be told that, in any event you have our best wishes and full sympathy. A. M. B.